POULTRY PROGRAMS SOURCE SELECTION PLAN FOR TURKEY TACO FILLING

SAMPLE PROTOTYPE

A. Scoring Methodology

Contractor's Product Must Rate Not Less Than 75% When Evaluated.

RATING	PERCENTAGE OF POINTS EARNED		
Outstanding			
Sample Prototype	100%		
 The manufacturer has produced a sample that is outstanding 	100%		
in all factors for evaluation.			
Superior			
Sample Prototype	90%		
 The manufacturer has produced a sample that exceeds the minimum requirements. 	90%		
Satisfactory			
Sample Prototype	75%		
 The manufacturer has produced a sample that meets the 	/3%		
minimum requirements.			
Marginal			
ample Prototype			
The manufacturer did not produce a sample that met all the	50%		
minimum requirements; several elements were not met.			
Unacceptable	<50%		
Sample Prototype			
 The manufacturer failed to produce a sample that met the 	3070		
minimum requirements.			

B. Evaluation Factors for Sample Prototype

FA	CTOR/SUBFACTOR	WEIGHT/POINTS
1.	Texture	50
	• Chewiness	25
	• Mouth Feel / Bite	15
	 Juiciness 	10
2.	Appearance	50
	• Crumbles	35
	 Separability 	10
	• Color	5
3.	Flavor	40
	 Seasonings 	30
	 Greasiness 	5
	• Aftertaste	5
4.	Packaging	10
	 Package Integrity 	10

C. Subfactor Standards -- Sample Prototype Characteristics

1. Texture (maximum 50 points)

Standard: Turkey taco filling must have a moist crumbled appearance and mouth feel and be slightly firm yet easy to chew.

- a. Chewiness -- the turkey taco filling meat must have a slightly chewy texture, but not tough to chew and not overly soft (mushy) or gritty.
- b. Mouth Feel/Bite -- the turkey taco filling must contain moist, yet slightly firm crumbled particles that are not overly soft (mushy).
- c. Juiciness -- the turkey taco filling must appear and taste moist, not greasy or dry.

2. Appearance (maximum 50 points)

Standard: Turkey taco filling must have distinct, moist crumbles that are not burnt, scorched, or under cooked.

- a. Crumbles -- the turkey taco filling must contain distinct, moist crumbled particles (similar to cooked ground beef with taco seasoning).
- b. Separability -- the product must not clump in large masses, or appear to remain in large masses (stick/clump together -- retaining package shape), or require the product be physically separated with a utensil after being removed from the package.
- c. Color -- the turkey taco filling must not be burnt, scorched, or under cooked.

3. Flavor (maximum 40 points)

Standard: Turkey taco filling must have a mild taco-seasoning flavor; and must not be overcooked, have a salty flavor, or have a greasy or prominent tomato flavor.

- a. Seasonings -- the turkey taco filling must have uniformly blended mild taco flavored seasonings (not hot or spicy) and must not have a greasy, salty, or prominent tomato flavor.
- b. Greasiness -- the product must not have a greasy taste or flavor.
- c. Aftertaste -- the product must have pleasing aftertaste, not offensive or greasy aftertaste.

4. Packaging (maximum 10 points)

Standard: The package must provide adequate room for product during reheating, must not leak during reheating and serving, and must maintain the integrity of the product until served.